## Quasi-elastic (inclusive) neutrino scattering from nuclei

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## Why study neutrino-nucleus scattering?



#### DUNE, Minerva, T2K, Nova, MicroBooNE.



see session later today





mass hierarchy CP violation in neutrinos non-standard interactions

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# CC 0π on <sup>12</sup>C



Improved agreement including 2p-2h contributions and enhancement in V, A, & A-V interference contributions

Similar contributions added in SUSA and improve agreement with data

More exclusive data?

Martini and Nieves RPA compared to T2K, Abe (T2K collab) 2016

#### **Nuclear Dependence**



Minerva results for different nuclei compared to generators

Quasi-elastic scattering: simplest picture Incoherent scattering from individual quasi-free nucleons

Scaling with momentum transfer: 'y'-scaling incoherent sum over scattering from single nucleons

 $\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega_{e'}dE_{e'}} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{e'}}\right)_M \left|\frac{Q^4}{|\mathbf{q}|^4}R_L(|\mathbf{q}|,\omega)\right|$ 

+  $\left(\frac{1}{2}\frac{Q^2}{|\mathbf{q}|^2} + \tan^2\frac{\theta}{2}\right)R_T(|\mathbf{q}|,\omega)$ 

PWIA often good for  $q >> k_F$ ; used in many fields (neutron scattering, ...)

### Inclusive Scattering

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega_{e'}dE_{e'}} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_{e'}}\right)_M \left[\frac{Q^4}{|\mathbf{q}|^4}R_L(|\mathbf{q}|,\omega) + \left(\frac{1}{2}\frac{Q^2}{|\mathbf{q}|^2} + \tan^2\frac{\theta}{2}\right)R_T(|\mathbf{q}|,\omega)\right]$$

electron scattering

 $R(q,\omega) = \sum_{f} \langle 0 | \mathbf{j}^{\dagger}(q) | f \rangle \langle f | \mathbf{j}(q) | 0 \rangle \, \delta(w - (E_f - E_0))$  $R(q,\omega) = \int dt \, \langle 0 | \mathbf{j}^{\dagger}(q) \, \exp[i(H - \omega)t] \, \mathbf{j}(q) | 0 \rangle$ 

Full Response: Ground State (Hamiltonian) Currents Propagation for final states

Impulse Approximation for quasi-elastic incoherent sum over single nucleons



requires momentum distributions and spectral functions

First required ingredient is scattering from an isolated nucleon

Electron and neutrino scattering from a single nucleon (or a set of independent nucleons) experiment theory (Lattice QCD)

Fairly well known for  $q \leq 1$  GeV but radius puzzle near q=0

#### EM Nucleon Form Factors



Gonzalex-Jiminez, Caballero, Donnelly, Phys. Reports 2013



#### Nucleon Axial Form Factor

Deuterium analysis



 $r_A^2 = 0.46 (0.22) \text{ fm}^2$ 

Axial form factor from expt'l analysis

Meyer, Betancourt, Gran, Hill (2016)

Theory: Lattice QCD g<sub>A</sub> can now be accurately calculated LANL, CalLAT, ... efforts underway for nucleon FF FNAL, LANL, ... can and should be validated in EM sector Quasi-elastic scattering from the nucleus

nuclear ingredients: interactions currents

experimental relations and scaling momentum dependence (1st kind) nuclear dependence (2nd kind)

Nuclear Calculations: Quantum Monte Carlo Short-time, high-energy approximations Tying to generators Nuclear interactions and currents

## NN interactions







## Ab initio calculations of Nuclei



FIG. 2 GFMC energies of light nuclear ground and excited states for the AV18 and AV18+IL7 Hamiltonians compared to experiment.

#### Light Nuclear Spectra

FRIB



Ab Initio Methods



#### Single-Nucleon Momentum Distributions



in PWIA: Response at different q

requires knowledge of momentum Distributions or Spectral Functions



Benhar, 1989

Impulse Approximation for quasi-elastic requires momentum distributions and/or spectral functions

One-body formulation gives equal longitudinal and transverse response (once single-nucleon form factors divided out)

#### <sup>12</sup>C transverse/longitudinal response



from Benhar, Day, Sick, RMP 2008 data Finn, et al 1984

scaling with momentum transfer better for individual responses overall scale quite different for Transverse, Longitudinal responses

# Electron Scattering: Longitudinal and Transverse Response

Transverse (current) response:  

$$R_T(q,\omega) = \sum_f \langle 0 | \mathbf{j}^{\dagger}(q) | f \rangle \langle f | \mathbf{j}(q) | 0 \rangle \, \delta(w - (E_f - E_0))$$

Longitudinal (charge) response:  

$$R_{L}(q,\omega) = \sum_{f} \langle 0 | \rho^{\dagger}(q) | f \rangle \langle f | \rho(q) | 0 \rangle \, \delta(w - (E_{f} - E_{0}))$$

$$\mathbf{j} = \sum_{i} \mathbf{j}_{i} + \sum_{i < j} \mathbf{j}_{ij} + \dots$$

Two-nucleon currents required by current conservation Response depends upon all the excited states of the nucleus



Magnetic Moments

> EM Transitions



## Sum Rules: Longitudinal Response



#### Quasielastic Scattering: Sum Rule for Vector Response





E Piasetzky et al. 2006 Phys. Rev. Lett. 97 162504. M Sargsian et al. 2005 Phys. Rev. C 71 044615. R Schiavilla et al. 2007 Phys. Rev. Lett. 98 132501. R Subedi et al. 2008 Science 320 1475.

 $\rho_{pN}(q,Q=0) \ (fm^3)$ 

# Back to Back Nucleons (total $Q \sim 0$ ) np pairs dominate over nn and pp



Wiringa et al.; Carlson, et al, RMP 2015

#### Sum rules in <sup>12</sup>C: neutral current scattering



Lovato, et. al PRL 2014 Single Nucleon currents (open symbols) versus Full currents (filled symbols)

## Euclidean Response

# $\tilde{R}(q,\tau) = \langle 0 | \mathbf{j}^{\dagger} \exp[-(\mathbf{H} - \mathbf{E_0} - \mathbf{q^2}/(\mathbf{2m}))\tau] \mathbf{j} | \mathbf{0} \rangle >$

Excellent agreement

w/EM (L&T)

response in A=4,12

Lovato, 2015, PRL 2016

- Exact given a model of interactions, currents
- `Thermal' statistical average
- Full final-state interactions
- `Local' Operator
- All contributions included elastic, low-lying states, quasi elastic, ...



## Neutral Current Response of <sup>12</sup>C



see Lovato talk on EM response

Lovato, et al, preliminary charged current underway

### Reaching toward larger A

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Scaling of the 2nd kind; fixed kinematics, different A

#### charge densities for different nuclei



analysis of Hofstadter data



slightly different k<sub>F</sub> for different A

## Larger A

Naive implementation of GFMC/AFDMC will suffer from sign problem Limited to quite short imaginary times

Exploring real-time propagation for short times: short-time approximation (STA) Employs factorization at two-nucleon level

## Short Time - High Energy

$$\begin{split} R(q,\omega) &= \sum_{f} \langle 0|O^{\dagger}(q)|f\rangle \langle f|O(q)|0\rangle \delta(\omega - (E_{f} - E_{0})) \\ R(q, \omega) &= \int dt \ \langle \ 0 \mid j^{\dagger}(q) \ [\exp \left[i(H - \omega)t\right]\right] j(q) \mid 0 \ \rangle \\ \text{for short times (high energies):} \end{split}$$

 $P(t) = \exp[i(H - \omega)t] \rightarrow \prod_{i} \exp[i(H_{i}^{0} - \omega)t] S \prod_{i < j} \frac{\exp[-H_{ij}t]}{\exp[-H_{ij}^{0}t]}$   $H^{0}: \text{kinetic terms (one- and two-body)}$ gives PWIA in one-body limit factorize and keep terms at two-body level:  $j_{1}^{\dagger}(i)P(t)j_{1}^{\dagger}(i), \ j_{1}^{\dagger}(j)P(t)j(i), \ j_{1}^{\dagger}(j)P(t)j_{2}^{\dagger}(ij) + hc$ 

write 2-nucleon state at vertex as interacting state w/ relative momentum p and total momentum P

in principle can be extended to higher order in time t

# Short Time - High Energy (cont'd)

### Advantages:

- Exact Sum Rules and Energy weighted sum rule
- Reduces to PWIA (I or 2-nucleon level) if you ignore FSI
- Two-nucleon level can in principle add relativity, pion prod, delta, ...
- `Local' operator : obeys scaling of 2nd kind for N=Z nuclei

# Disadvantage:

- Knows nothing about low-energy physics (giant resonances,...)
- Requires evaluation for each current operator

# Short Time - High Energy (cont'd)



### Longitudinal Response



Pastore, et al, preliminary

Similar approach using n(k1,k2) by N. Rocco, A. Lovato

#### Transverse Response



Larger A can be treated w/ full ground state, plus two-nucleon off-diagonal operator

# Putting into Generators:

Quantum at the vertex:

- full I and 2-body interference
- inclusion of full two-nucleon FSI
- sum of positive contributions

Can match to classical generator after the vertex

Need to include

- full weak currents (at 2N level)
- relativistic effects
- pion/delta production

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## Conclusion and Outlook:

- Coherent picture of neutrino-nucleus scattering within reach
- Requires 2N correlations, currents, final states
- Can be useful beyond overall constraint on integrated response
- Many related applications: beta decay double beta decay astrophysical environments

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